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SUBJECT: VISIT TO EAST BERLIN OF MRS. KATHERINE S.
FLORENCE

REF: HANSON-WARD TELCON JULY 1

1. DEPARTMENT JULY 2 INFORMED MRS. FLORENCE THAT EMBASSY
WILL OBTAIN GDR VISA ENTITLEMENT CERTIFICATE FOR HER AND
THAT EMBASSY OFFICER WILL MEET HER UPON ARRIVAL AT
TEMPELHOF AIRPORT AND WILL ASSIST HER IN OBTAINING GDR
VISA AND WITH ENTRY INTO EAST BERLIN.

2. MRS. FLORENCE PLANNING TO ARRIVE BERLIN ON OR ABOUT
JULY 15 AFTER SHORT VISIT IN THE VENICE AREA. SHE WILL
INFORM AMCONSUL TRIESTE OF HER FLIGHT NUMBER AND PRECISE
ARRIVAL TIME IN BERLIN WHEN THIS IS KNOWN AND WILL
REQUEST THE CONSULATE TO RELAY THIS INFORMATION TO
EMBASSY BERLIN.

3. MRS. FLORENCE SAID THAT MR. PETER S. ARBAN, A US
CITIZEN FRIEND, PLANS TO ACCOMPANY HER TO WEST BERLIN
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AND WISHES TO VISIT EAST BERLIN AND LEIPZIG. ARBAN DOES NOT HAVE A VISA ENTITLEMENT CERTIFICATE AND IS PRESENTLY TRAVELLING IN EUROPE. HE WILL JOIN MRS. FLORENCE IN VENICE PRIOR TO THEIR DEPARTURE FOR BERLIN. DEPARTMENT ADVISED MRS. FLORENCE THAT EMBASSY MAY NOT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN VISA ENTITLEMENT CERTIFICATE FOR MR. ARBAN AND SUGGESTED THAT HE MAY WISH TO GET GDR VISA IN WEST BERLIN.

4. ARBAN IS SEEKING COMPENSATION FROM GDR FOR FAMILY PROPERTY IN LEIPZIG AREA AND HAS COMMUNICATED WITH EMBASSY ON THIS MATTER. SISCO

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